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III.—LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO A MEMBER.

MR. SPEAKER : The hon. Member, Sri Karuthiruman has given notice of a motion. Let him move it.

SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move—

'That, under Rule 11 of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules, leave of absence be granted by this House to Sri S. Nagaraja Monigar, till the end of October 1959, from the date of his absence.'

The motion was put and carried.

IV.—STATEMENT OF THE HON. MINISTER FOR FINANCE *RE* CORRECTION TO AN ANSWER.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, in reply to a supplementary question by Sri K. Sattanatha Karayalar (on starred question No. 237) I had stated on 29th April 1959 that the Government had under examination a proposal, to establish a permanent machinery and to appoint separate officers for arranging for the participation of Government Departments in the various exhibitions conducted every year. But, I later checked this in the Secretariat and found that no such general proposal was under consideration. There is, however, a proposal to create a separate section, with an exhibition officer and assistants for the effective participation of the Industries Department in the exhibitions, which was under examination in the I.L.C. (Special) Department.

I, therefore, wish to modify the answer with the permission of the House.

V.—PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES.

SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Sir, I, Chairman of the Committee on Government Assurances, having been authorized by the Committee to submit the report on its behalf, present this, the Fifth Report.

VI.—GOVERNMENT MOTION.

FOOD SITUATION IN MADRAS STATE.

* THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

'That the food situation in Madras State be taken into consideration.'

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : On a point of order, Sir. I am sorry to intervene. According to the procedure laid down, the Hon. the Leader of the House should move a motion for converting a non-official day into an official day, to-day being a non-official day.

MR. SPEAKER : The motion was moved yesterday and the hon. Member was absent at that time.